

## **SOUND TRANSIT**

### **MOTION NO. M2006-52**

A motion of the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute a contract amendment with PCL Construction Services, Inc. for the construction of the light rail guideway between Boeing Access Road and South 154<sup>th</sup> Street to include the construction of Airport Link light rail facilities between South 154<sup>th</sup> Street and South 160<sup>th</sup> Street in the amount of \$37,950,000, with a contingency of \$1,000,000, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$293,792,874.

#### **Background:**

On November 18, 1999, the Sound Transit Board adopted Resolution No. R99-34, selecting the alignment alternatives and profiles, station locations, and vehicle maintenance base site alternative to be built for the Central Link Light Rail Initial Segment line. Resolution No. R99-34 identified the SeaTac alignment from South 154<sup>th</sup> to South 200<sup>th</sup> Streets in the City of SeaTac. In its action identifying the Initial Segment on September 27, 2001, the Sound Transit Board directed the agency to work with the Port of Seattle (Port) and the Cities of SeaTac and Tukwila to extend the Initial Segment south beyond South 154<sup>th</sup> Street. This process culminated in the execution of term sheets between Sound Transit, the Port, and the City of SeaTac in December of 2004 that defined the proposed light rail project scope. On July 14, 2005, the Sound Transit Board adopted Resolution No. R2005-16, selecting the Airport Link alignment and station locations between the Tukwila International Boulevard Station and South 200<sup>th</sup> Street and selecting the portion of Airport Link from the Tukwila International Boulevard Station to Sea-Tac Airport to be constructed and operated as part of the Central Link Light Rail Project by the end of 2009.

The 1.7-mile Airport Link project extends the Initial Segment from South 154<sup>th</sup> Street to an elevated light rail station at Sea-Tac International Airport's main terminal near South 176<sup>th</sup> Street. Beginning from the elevated station at Tukwila International and Southcenter Boulevards, the Airport Link route continues south on an elevated structure, crossing above SR-518 and transitioning to grade just north of South 160<sup>th</sup> Street. The route continues in the median of the relocated North Airport Expressway, passing under the South 160<sup>th</sup> Street bridge and the future return to terminal loop ramp. The alignment crosses above South 170<sup>th</sup> Street and continues on an elevated structure to an elevated light rail station just east of the airport garage. A kiss-and-ride facility will be constructed on the east side of International Boulevard.

Sound Transit and the Port are delivering light rail and Port facilities through an integrated construction packaging plan. Delivery of light rail elements will rely in part on amendments to existing Initial Segment construction contracts, as provided for in those contracts and described in the project implementation plan presented to the Sound Transit Board on February 10, 2005.

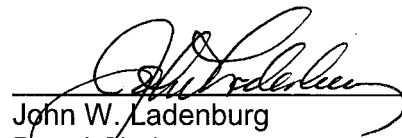
Airport Link is part of the Central Link Light Rail Line defined in the Sound Move Plan approved by voters in 1996 and the Central Link Project adopted by the Sound Transit Board in November of 1999. This Board action was supported by the Central Link Light Rail Project Final Environmental Impact Statement (November 1999). The Tukwila Freeway Route Final Supplemental EIS was issued in November 2001 addressing changes to the project in Tukwila and the north end of the City of SeaTac. Since that time, the Airport Link project scope has

been modified from the alignment and station locations selected by the Board in November 1999. An Environmental Assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act has been published to address these modifications. This EA also serves as an Addendum under the State Environmental Policy Act. The Federal Transit Administration issued a Record of Decision on the Airport Link project on September 13, 2005.


**Motion:**

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute a contract amendment with PCL Construction Services, Inc. for the construction of the light rail guideway between Boeing Access Road and South 154<sup>th</sup> Street to include the construction of Airport Link light rail facilities between South 154<sup>th</sup> Street and South 160<sup>th</sup> Street in the amount of \$37,950,000, with a contingency of \$1,000,000, for a new total authorized contract amount not to exceed \$293,792,874.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on June 22, 2006.

  
John W. Ladenburg  
Board Chair

ATTEST:

  
Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator